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HAND DELIVERY

Hawaii Public Utilities Commission
465 South King St., Room 103
Honolulu, HI 96813

Subject: Application of Molokai Public Utilities, Inc. to increase rates (HPUC Docket
2009-0048)

Mr. Chairman and Members of the Commission,

On behalf of Intervenor West Molokai Association, the undersigned had numerous discussions and e-mail exchanges with counsel for Applicant, Molokai Public Utilities, Inc. Agreement was reached on the schedule; virtually all items in Applicant's revised Proposed Stipulated Procedural Order (the mid-day version of Wednesday, October 28, 2009) were agreed to, as well.

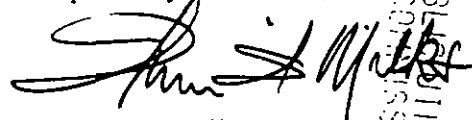
No agreement was finalized on the wording on Issue No. 3, relating to the future reliability of utility-provided water service. The following reflects the concerns of WMA, and WMA believes its suggested language is consistent with commentary at the public hearing and is germane to the issues raised by MPU's filings over the past fifteen months:

"No. 3. Are sufficient enforceable provisions in place for the foreseeable future to ensure that consumers will be provided reliable delivery of potable water, at reasonable rates, to residents in MPU's service area?"

WMA requests the Commission's favorable consideration of WMA's wording of Issue No. 3, and that it be included in the docket's Procedural Order. Except for Issue No. 3, WMA would have executed MPU's proposed Procedural Order, WMA being in fundamental agreement with all other matters submitted to the Commission and stipulated by MPU, MPL, and the Consumer Advocate.

cc: Counsel for the Parties
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Respectfully Submitted,


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